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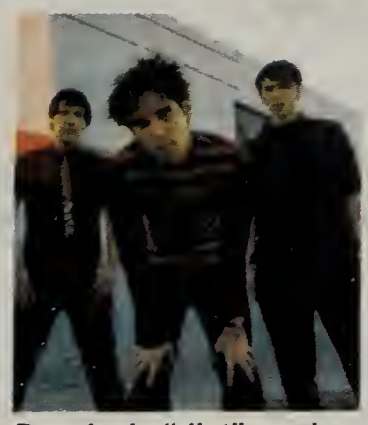

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# SJC takes on Washington, D.C.

Photo provided by Mandy Lucious

**Getting to meet the Reverand Al Sharpton was just one reason why Mandy Lucious (pictured center) says she will never forget her experience at the war protest in Washington, D.C.**

## Washington, D.C. protest and the media's coverage of the war discussed at forum

BY NICOLE ELISCHER
*Staff Writer*

On October 3 and 4, members of the Union for Democratic Communication presented a discussion on what they saw while participating in the September 24 antiwar demonstration in Washington, D.C. and reviewed what was covered by the media.

Evelyn Bottando, president of UDC, said the purpose of presenting this type of forum was to show both sides of the issue and show what is being said.

*Bottando said the group's purpose* was to provide the students with information, then internalize it and relate it in a way that makes sense.

Danielle Ciesielski, a seondary education major, showed pictures of what happened during the demonstration. The pictures showed various interest groups with creative signs, youth dancing and singing and two girls who had boyfriends in Iraq wearing matching shirts. Ciesielski said that she saw unity and busloads of people from different cities each with something to say.

Also shown at the forum was a five second clip from Fox Chicago Saturday evening news, a home video by Tony Lenzo (a member of UDC), and a brief web video from www.truthout.org, an independent news source, which asked people where they were from and why they came.

The Social Justice Club also attended the demonstration.

*Huma Farook, president of the* SJC, said, "It was a great experience to see 200,000 other people who all feel the same way."

Farook said that the SJC took 18 people to the march that Friday

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## Alumni offer advice, inspiration

BY MELISSA BATKA
*Managing Editor*

Many students, especially those getting ready to graduate, have wondered what to do after college. Will they be able to find jobs? Will they be successful? A new event at PUC is geared toward helping answer these questions.

The first ever Alumni Day was held on Thursday, October 6 in the SUL building. This event was co-sponsored by the deans of each school and the Purdue Alumni Association - Calumet, and was designed to honor alumni and inform current students about the many opportunities they have after graduation.

There were 18 alumni recognized that night. Faculty from each academic department selected its own alumni honoree based on professional success. Each one received the Alumni Commitment to Excellence medal and was given 15 minutes to speak on their path of success and give advice to students and fellow alumni. Alumni Day honorees will also serve as the only nominees for the PAAC's Outstanding Alumni Award, presented in February at their annual dinner.

Chronicle photo by Melissa Batka

**Kristin Niemiec shows her Alumni Commitment to Excellence medal to fellow alumnus Lia Ritchey.**

Following the award presentation, a networking session separat-

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## Former NCAA Senior Vice President speaks to NWIWP

BY JADE LEE CULBERSON
*Senior Staff Writer*

The Northwest Indiana Writing Project hosted its 10th anniversary annual meeting on September 29. According to NWIWP Coordinator Connie Farrell, approximately 150 area teachers, principals, school administrators, athletic directors, community members, PUC personnel and PUC students attended the meeting.

Daniel Boggan, former Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, is a member of the National Writing Project's executive board. Boggan gave a keynote speech on athletics, writing and literacy.

Amanda Haskins, a teacher at Oak Hill Elementary School in Lowell, participated in the Summer Institute in 2004. Haskins said she enjoyed the annual meeting most because of Boggan's presentation.

"I liked the fact that he stressed that teachers need to use the children's ability and strengths as a foundation for learning," said Haskins.

The annual meeting concluded with a panel discussion by educators ranging from NWIWP Co-Director Karen Kinney, a kindergarten teacher, to Alice Neal, Tri-Creek School Corporation superintendent. Farrell, a former middle school teacher, was also on the panel.

"Those chosen for the panel were people who have been active with the NWIWP for a long time," said NWIWP Director Carolyn Boiarsky. "Each represents a different segment of the population."

Farrell said that events such as the annual meeting are an opportunity for the NWIWP to solidify existing relationships with local educators and to reach out to the community. She said she hopes those who learned about the NWIWP at the annual

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## ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

# *Help is on the way!*

The Counseling Center offers you numerous, free services ranging from career and improvement workshops to self–help programs and personal counseling.

Here are some upcoming offerings.

***Feel Better Fast!*** a four-session self-help workshop series, will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Wednesdays, Oct. 19 and 26 and Nov. 2 and 9 in the Counseling Center (Gyte-5).

The workshop is intended to help you learn how to:

- increase your confidence and self-esteem;
- decrease stress, anxiety, and depression;
- change self-defeating thought patterns; and
- realize your potential and make the most of yourself.

The *Career Choices* program will be offered in three different sections:

— 10 to 11:30 a.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, Oct 10, 12, 17 and 19;

— 1:30 to 3 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, Oct 11, 13, 18 and 20; or

— 1:30 to 3 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, Oct 25 and 27 and Nov 1 and 3.

*Career Choices is a structured program intended to assist you in* deciding on an academic direction and future career. Students take two career tests and receive personalized results regarding their career interests, personality type and potential professions best-suited to their personal style. Counseling Center professional staff walk students through an organized decision-making process that includes a variety of self-assessment activities and interpretation of test results.

A four-session ***Anger Management*** workshop series assists students in understanding their angry reactions, gaining an awareness of the consequences associated with these reactions, and learning tools and strategies to change these reactions.

A six-week ***Shyness and Social Anxiety*** workshop series helps students alleviate shyness and social discomfort. Students will learn specific skills for coping with nervousness, altering self-conscious thought patterns, improving communication skills and changing one's interpersonal style in relationships.

Also, ***Personal Counseling*** is available to help in broadening coping efforts, improving relationship functioning, and heightening self-understanding. Personal issues such as adjustment to college/work, dating, marital conflict, anxiety, depression, alcohol and drug use, body image/eating problems, stress/time management are among concerns that can be addressed.

Participation in Counseling Center programs and inquiries about Counseling Center services are kept private and confidential.

**To obtain additional information, enroll in a workshop, or schedule an appointment, phone the Counseling Center at 989-2366; from a campus phone, call x2366.**

# What's Goin' On?

A look around

### Student Activities presents popcorn and a movie

Student Activities and UPS present The Longest Yard, starring Adam Sandler and Chris Rock, Tuesday, October 11, at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in Calumet Falls' TV room.

### InterVarsity Christian Fellowship to hold meeting

On Thursday, October 13, at 8:00 pm, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship will be having a meeting to discuss the topic "Disappointment with God". The meeting will be held in the cafeteria in the Student Union Library Building. There will be a time of worship before the meeting.

For more information about InterVarsity, please email ivcf@calumet.purdue.edu.

### Chancellor's Reading Circle

Student Life & Activities is looking for students who are interested in participating in the Chancellor's Reading Circle on Tuesday, October 18 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Straight Man a novel by Richard Russo will be discussed.

Interested students may contact Student Life & Activities at 989-2369 or SFLC-324E to register. Seats are limited and books are provided.

### Student Life & Activities Announces October Inspired Leaders Series Workshops

Rita Mazza, professional story teller, will speak on "Creating Personal Stories for Success" Tuesday, October 11, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in Potter 200.

Chancellor Howard Cohen will speak on "Ethics and Leadership" on Thursday, October 13, 11:00 a.m. - 12:20 p.m. in SUL room with a view.

Dr. Ken Coopwood, Director of Diversity and Equity at IUN, will speak on "Diversity" on Friday, October 28, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in SUL room with view.

Please register for workshops at https://esc.calumet.purdue.edu/ccld/calendar/showAllEvents.asp.

### Battle of the Bands

Student Life & Activities and Thunderclap Recording present Battle of the Bands on Saturday, October 22 from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. in the PUC gym located in the Fitness and Recreation building. The deadline for band entries is Tuesday, October 12 at 4:00 p.m. Admission for the event is free but donations will be accepted at the door for hurricane victims.

For more information please contact Student Life & Activities at 989-2369 or SUL 324E.

### On campus blood drive to take place

The American Red Cross Blood Drive will take place on Tuesday, October 11 from noon to 6 PM and Wednesday, October 12 from 9AM to 3 PM. All presenting donors will receive a t-shirt. You must have a picture ID to donate.

Walk-ins are welcome or make an appointment online at http://esc.calumet.purdue.edu/athletic/wellness_event/.

For more information call the Wellness Center at 219-989-2709.

### It's all Greek to me

Sunday, October 23 in Alumni Hall, Building Community Through The Arts will hold a celebration of Greek culture. A play entitled "The Forum," written by McKenya Dilworth of Morning Bishop Theatre Playhouse at Lake Street Theatre will be performed. The event will also feature Greek literature, Greek food from The Patio restaurant in Merrillville, music and Greek folk dancing with audience participation. Food and admission will be free.

### PNC to help victims of Hurricane Katrina

PNC's Delta Sigma club will host a benefit concert from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday, November 4 featuring many local bands. All the proceeds from this event will be used to help send faculty and students to the Gulf Coast with Habitat for Humanity over winter break to help the relief effort.

# Submitting Briefs

Anyone interested in publicizing events, clubs, organizations or departments in "What's Goin' On?" must submit briefs the Monday before publication. The Chronicle does not guarantee placement of briefs submitted.

Please limit submissions to four sentences and include the first and last name of the contact person.

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# PETA visits campuses nationwide

**BY ISABEL RODRIGUEZ**
*Chief Copy Editor*

People for the Ethnical Treatment of Animals are currently touring campuses across the U.S. with an exhibition displaying graphic images of animals being mistreated. Some images displayed show comparisons of humans and animals beaten, enslaved and hung.

The exhibition, entitled "Animal Liberation", compares social struggles in history to the treatment of animals in factory farms. One set of images express the idea of being "sold-off" with the image of a daughter and mother being sold from early slavery in comparison to cattle being sold at livestock auctions. Another set of images shows branding of an animal on its face and a person being branded.

PETA, an animal rights activist group, believes displaying the graphic images will show people that animals are feeling beings who should be protected and deserve to be treated with respect. The exhibition's purpose was also to raise awareness to the public of the mistreatment of animals in factory farms.

According to peta.com, PETA believes that is the responsibility of the public to defend those, the animals, who are incapable of defending themselves. PETA also states its focus is towards certain areas where they find animals suffer most: for clothing and cosmetic uses, laboratories and especially factory farms.

The exhibition, which can also be viewed on its site, has had a mixed reaction from the public.

Jose Perez of Coalition for Animal Rights Education viewed some of the images by PETA and believes that it's a good example of both side of the argument.

"I think it's a good parallel with how things were in the past and how things are now," said Perez. "They are not asking to stop but are asking for a better welfare of animals."

Perez added that PETA gets under people's skin and it is the public who do not understand what is happening with animal welfare.

"They [animals] breathe, feel pain and have fear. People act like they do not have a beating heart," said Perez.

After discovering the exhibition and viewing it online, Louis Gyure, a senior majoring in elementary education, thought PETA went "overboard" when displaying the images.

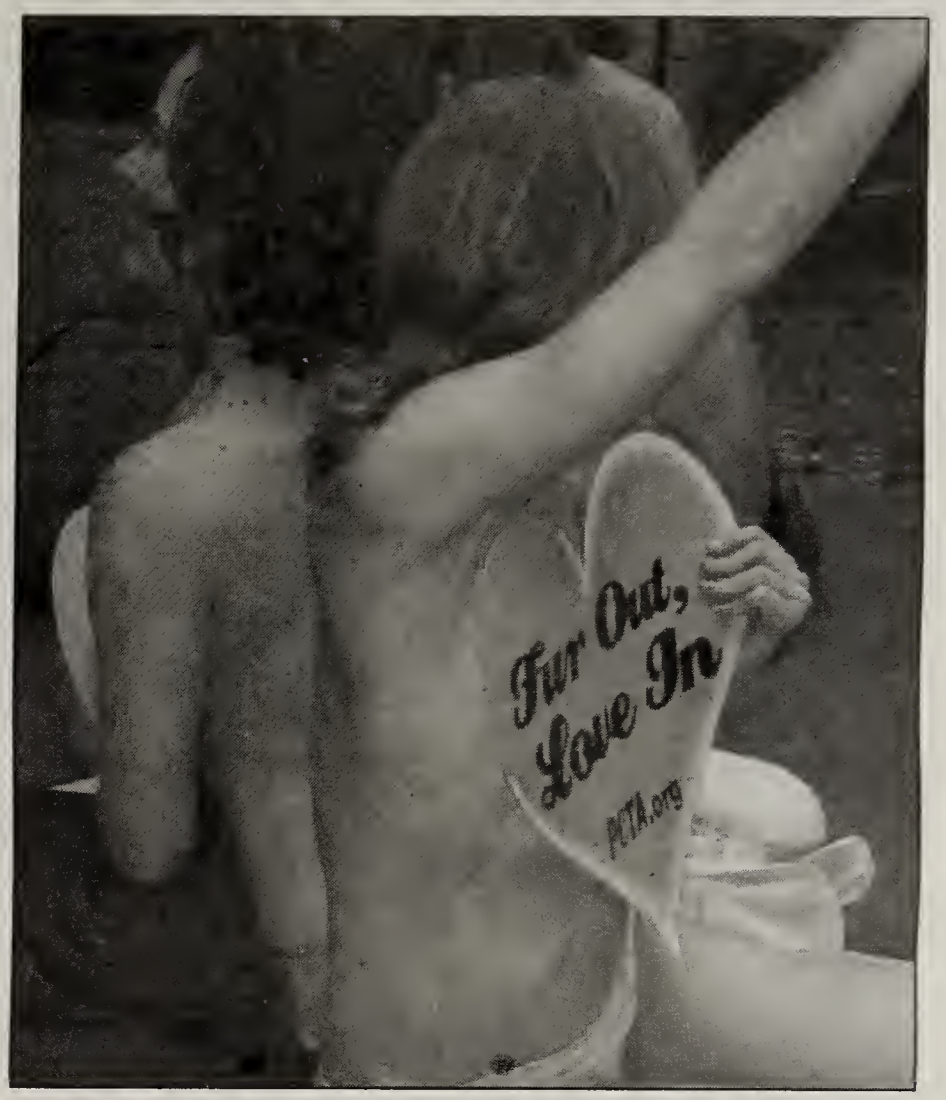
"I don't like the way they compare it to slavery. It's different. That was all done in cruelty," said Gyure. "I do believe animals have spirits but we need animals in the means of survival.

"Sorry if we all can't be vegetarians."

Many activist groups find PETA to be hypocritical in fighting for animal rights, when allegedly, they themselves do not treat animals with respect.

According to petakillsanimals.com, PETA fights against unethical treatment towards animals but holds its own secrets from the public. The site claims that PETA reportedly killed about 85 percent of its animals taken in 2003. The site also stated PETA misuses it's donations to learning programs and ad campaigns rather than animal care.

According to the site for The Center for Consumer Freedom, PETA has also killed over 10,000 animals (dogs and cats) at their headquarters in Virginia.

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**PETA is becoming known for going to extreme measures to convey their message, but are they too over-the-top?**

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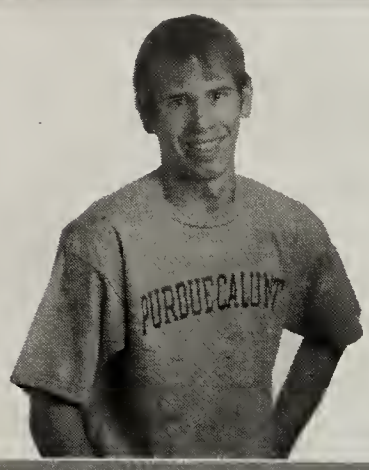


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# Question everything

A wise man once said, "Opinions are like appendages; everyone has one."

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While you may value those opinions, it would be foolish to take them for more than what they are; someone else's ideas on the way things should be.

*The staff* at *The Chronicle* wants to encourage its readers to question everything. Seek the truth in everything that you see and hear and do not take anything at face value; not even what you read in our paper. Many of the opinions we express are designed to make you question both our beliefs and your own.

The only way you can develop an educated opinion is to become a seeker of facts, and the only way to do that is to ask a lot of questions.

Question the context of what you read as well as the motivation of the writer. Some would say that all communication is persuasive. If that is true, than as a consumer of information you must ask yourself, "What is it that I am being persuaded to believe?" After you have identified that you have to stop and say, "Before I get caught up in this, is this something that I truly believe?"

Research everything from as many sources as you can find. Seek out as much information as you can about something, because that is the only way to overcome bias.

And don't be afraid to stand up for what you believe in after you have decided for yourself what that is.

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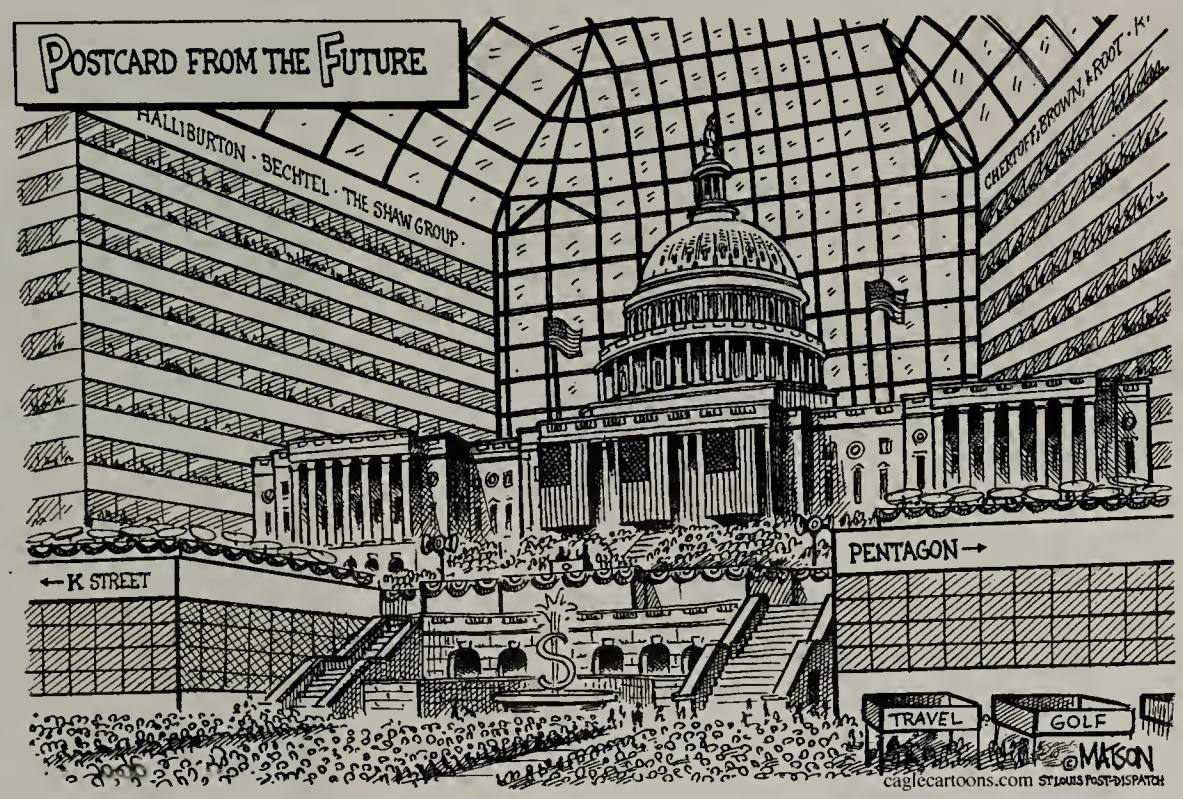


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# Hypocrisy, conservative-style

**BY DAVID P. FUNK**
*Sports Editor*

The hypocrisy of conservatives was made blatantly obvious to me as I drove home from work Monday afternoon.

The car in front of me, obviously owned by a conservative, had several bumper stickers and window clings. They were mostly Bush-Cheney campaign stickers or those "support the troops" ribbon magnets. To clarify, I have nothing against the "support the troops" magnets. I have nothing against the troops themselves, just the war and their commander in chief. I support our brave soldiers.

The first bumper sticker I noticed said, "Nuke their a--, Take their gas." I didn't think much of it, as it was typical right-wing garbage. I see it almost every day.

However upon closer inspection of the vehicle, I noticed a pro-life window cling that read, "Everyone has a right to life," with a picture of what appeared to be an unborn, or possibly even aborted, fetus.

Is it just me, or is this absolutely asinine?

Apparently, the owner of this car (I think it was a Ford Taurus) believes that unborn fetuses, who have not even lived for a single second, have "lives" that are more important than Middle Easterners.

And to take it a step further, doesn't the desire to "nuke" them contradict the opinion that "everyone has a right to lif?"

But then, these are the things the right-wing stands for. They are pro-life while being pro-war. The Bush administration is spending obscene amounts of money but supports tax cuts for the wealthy. John Kerry's Purple Hearts meant very little while John McCain's make him a hero.

I could go on and on, but I won't.

I did a little research online to find more bumper stickers directed at conservative consumers. I was shocked by some of the things I found.

Bumperart.com sells several revolting stickers, including "Nuke Mecca," "My other car ran over a terrorist," "Give war a chance," "Remember: pillage, then burn," as well as the very sticker I saw.

Cafepress.com sports t-shirts and stickers saying, "Islam is a religion of pieces" with a dynamite graphic, "Celebrate Hetero Pride," "Save the seals, club a liberal," and "Feminism is the radical notion that feminists are women."

These examples illustrate how hateful, spiteful and downright mean conservatives are while simultaneously demonstrating the right-wing's idiocy.

All I need to say is that the hypocrisy of Republicans both baffles and disgusts me.

# Letter to the editor

Dear Sports Editor,

After reading your commentary in last week's edition of The Chronicle, I would have to disagree with those who say that The Chronicle should cover less professional sports and more PUC sports. PUC is a commuter college. Students travel from all over the region, ranging from right here in Hammond all the way to the furthest corners of Illinois. There are students who travel close to two and three hours a day just to attend one or two classes. What better way to relate to our diverse student base? PUC students are going to have a variety of preferences and covering just our own campus sports would deny them that entertainment. Granted, PUC should not overlook its proud athletic program, but professional sports play an important role in our student's lives as well. If people would like proof of that, just walk through the break rooms in the library building during a White Sox playoff game. In Game One of the White Sox/Red Sox series, the TV room was packed. Everybody piled in front of the television sets to catch a glimpse of the game. Faculty even stopped and asked students what happened and what the score was. After every inning the White Sox did well in, students applauded. Are PUC students interested in professional sports? I would have to think so. I, personally, enjoy reading the sports section in The Chronicle.

However, I do have some reservations. I would suggest incorporating more PUC student's opinions on professional sports as well as campus sports. I read one of the sports articles and saw no comments from students. I believe one step to improving the sports section even more would be to obtain more student involvement. I'm sure that there are opposing opinions on professional sports. Where ever there are White Sox fans, Cub's fans are not to far away. Where ever there are Bear's fans, Packer's fans are standing right next to them. And yes, where ever there are PUC fans, there are sure to be IUN fans right here in Peregrine territory. What's the one thing that they all have in common right here on campus? They are all PUC students. I believe that they should be utilized. That would be a recipe for an even greater sports section.

Sincerely,

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# Jane Heller's latest book "grinds" to a halt

BY NICOLE ELISCHER
*Staff Writer*

Let's say you are watching a soap opera. One of the characters is about to do something totally foolish for the sake of winning their significant other. You feel the urge to yell "don't do it" but then stop and realize that's it's only a TV show. Well, that's how I felt about the main character in "An Ex to Grind". Trust me, I wished this heroine was real so I could whack her head with this ridiculous, malicious 350-page comedy about obsession over an ex-husband.

I love romance novels, particularly the breezy, easy read modern-day ones dubbed "chick lit" by authors like Nora Roberts and Meg Cabot, where the females characters are strong, career-driven and spend more time getting to know the love interest before falling in love with them at the very end. Plus, I was looking for something short and fun to read between reading my not-so-exciting text books. Instead, I spent most of my time "grinding" my teeth, rolling my eyes and closing this dread of a hardback book.

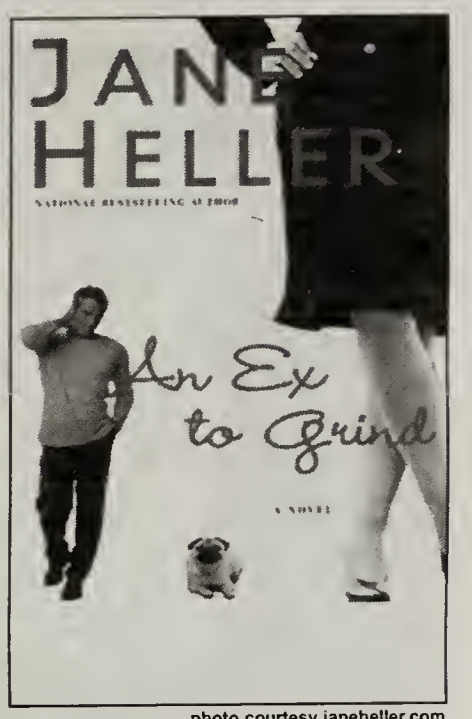
The story starts with the main character, financial planner Melanie "Mel" Banks finalizing her divorce from Dan Swain, a football player she met working as a waitress while in college. The marriage began to have problems when Dan injured his knee. After a few attempts as a broadcaster, Dan has become a couch potato (or a "bumbo" as Mel calls him) who spends most of his time with his old team mates and buying anything he pleases- thanks to the alimony Mel pays. But when her divorce lawyer mentions that if Dan lived with another woman for 90 days it would terminate the alimony, Mel practically salivates. With help of her friends and an over-the-top, expensive matchmaker named Desiree (one of the few characters that is actually likeable), she anonymously signs Dan up for Ms. Right. But does she make the right choice?

At first, I felt kind of sorry about Mel's predicament and hated that she was stuck paying for her lazy ex's lifestyle of expensive champagne and Gucci slippers while sharing custody of the dog he got for her. She did not even obsess at first. But then when her lawyer mentions that Mel needs to let go after she complains about the alimony, I actually started to feel sorry for the dog.

There is nothing to like about this character. She lies and bribes the matchmaker to get dates for Dan. Once a girl named Leah connects with Dan, she recruits the doorman, an elderly next door lady, and the housekeeper to keep track of Dan and his new love. Other than to have evidence to show in court, I do not see what business she had of keeping tabs on Dan since she is no longer tied to him.

As soon as Leah makes Dan into a more likable character, even suggesting that he look for a job as a college coach, Mel decides she wants him back. Unless the author was looking to mix things up, having Mel wanting the new and improved Dan did not make sense. At this point, I just skimmed the book to see when Mel's lies would eventually be revealed. I didn't even care if Dan actually went back to Mel or if she ended up with the nice painter named Evan that she went on one date with.

For those looking for something fun and easy to read outside boring text books, find something else. To those that want to give "Grind" a chance, read at your own risk.

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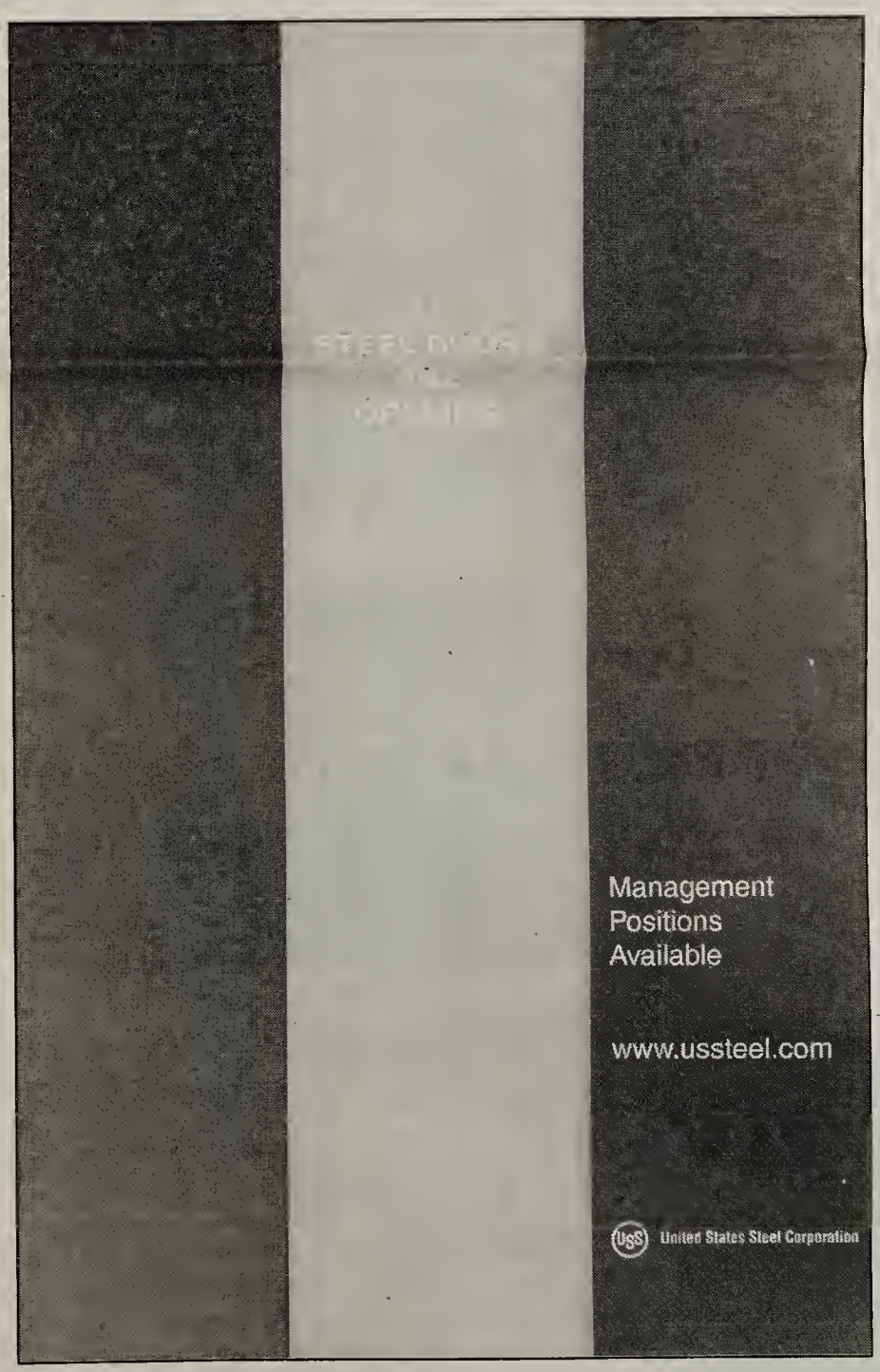
**Unbelievable characters are one of the many reasons this book fell short.**

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# "Corpse Bride" is an undead delight

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**"Tim Burton's Corpse Bride" is a sweet movie about a nervous man and his bride-who just happens to be dead.**

BY JADE LEE CULBERSON
*Senior Staff Writer*

"Tim Burton's Corpse Bride" is a Victorian tale of romance, unrequited love, and death. The living inhabit a dull, restrained, and nearly colorless world reminiscent of the era past, while the dead occupy a vibrant afterlife without inhibition.

Where "Nightmare Before Christmas" was a children's tale for all, "Corpse Bride" has an older feel. The animation is wonderful, and the look is distinctly Victorian down to the era-specific clothing and ridiculous hair (on more than one woman, her hair is shaped distinctly like a giant butt).

Victor Van Dort (voiced by Johnny Depp) and Victoria Everglot (voiced by Emily Watson) are a young couple preparing for an arranged marriage. Her parents, Maudeline and Finnie (voiced by Joanna Lumley and Albert Finney), need her to marry into his wealthy family. His parents, fishmongers Nell and William (voiced by Tracey Ullman and Paul Whitehouse), seem happy to unload their awkward son, especially to a classy family.

Skinny Victor, however, nervously stumbles over his vows during rehearsal and flees the church to practice alone. When Victor's "cold feet" send him on a walk through the snowy woods he meets Emily, the Corpse Bride (Helena Bonham Carter).

Emily is a sweet girl with a broken heart. She was engaged to be married, but her suitor never came. Oh, and she was robbed and left to die in the woods - so she's a corpse. But she is a kind, sympathetic corpse with a lot of love to give.

When Victor's badly timed rehearsal gives Emily the wrong idea, she takes him down into the Land of the Dead with her as her husband. Of course, there are only two problems - first, that he's not actually dead; second, that no one (including innocent Victoria) knows where he went.

In the Land of the Dead, Victor discovers that the dead know how to party - "new entries" have their first stop in a lively bar complete with a Harryhausen piano (Burton's tribute to Ray Harryhausen, a stop-motion animation great). With only a touch of creepiness, the dead sing and dance regardless of rotting flesh or missing body parts.

Being married to a dead girl comes with its own set of problems. She has a talking maggot (voiced by Enn Reitel) in her head that comes out of her eye. Her wedding gift to Victor is his long-dead and skeletal dog, Scraps. Not to mention that he's now living in the Land of the Dead even though he's still alive.

When Victor is nowhere to be seen - nevermind very direct statements by the town crier of where he is, as no one listens to the town crier anyway - Maudeline and Finnie continue their plan to marry off their daughter.

Enter Barkis Bittem (voiced by Richard E. Grant), the Victorian-age villain played just a little too over-the-top to even hint that he might be a "good guy." With the wedding still on and him in Victor's place, Victoria becomes more desperate than her blameless nature would normally allow.

This film manages to be sweet without being too comy, and keeps hilarity in all the right places. "Corpse Bride" may not be as accessible as "Nightmare Before Christmas," but it is a love story from the past that will do well in this generation.

# Pensive: "Diet" punk at it's very best

BY EMILI WALLACE
*Staff Writer*

If the online blog site Myspace.com is good for anything, it is an excellent place to meet new people and discover all kinds of new talent from around the world. But another thing offered through Myspace.com is the ability to discover new music. That's how I discovered the California based pop-punk group, Pensive.

To be perfectly honest, the group was actually brought to my attention through a mutual friend. My musical taste is quite eclectic, so I like a little bit of everything. Upon seeing this, she told me that I should "check them out." Reluctantly, I headed over to their Mypace.com page. And what a treat.

The page offers a few song selections from their most recent release "Something about the Stars." The album falls into the pop-punk, or "diet punk," category that has catapulted bands like Sum 41 and Simple Plan to the top of the Billboard charts.

The album offers six songs that seem to have a nice flow as the album progresses. I'm reminded of an early Blink-182, without the tongue-in-cheek songwriting. This is not to say that Pensive's song writing is bad, because it is very creative at times.

Despite the obvious differences from other bands in their genre, Pensive seems to incorporate many different styles into their songwriting and are certainly not afraid to try new things.

"Each song we've written has developed differently. Some songs have had a lot of collaboration by all the members of the band, and some songs have had just a little collaboration," said lead guitarist Pat Smith.

One song in particular that held my attention was the half-English, half-Spanish song "Soledad."

"'Soledad' is one of my favorites because we're able to incorporate my native Spanish language into a pop punk song. At first, I thought it would be cheesy but once it was finished I was so glad we went for it," said Julio Godoy, lead vocalist and guitar player.

For the last year or so, Pensive's main goal has been to establish a fan base outside of the San Diego area, where the band got its start.

"The main idea is to build up a strong fan base in a particular area, and then move out further from that. Already we're expanding from San Diego out to Orange County, Los Angeles, and Ventura in California," said Smith.

The band is anxious to bring its music to a fan base outside Southern California.

"We'd like to branch out as far as possible but for now we have to keep hitting the same spots here in the West over and over again," said Godoy.

Until they are able to venture out to our area, one can access any and everything Pensive through the band's official website at www.pensive.net, where you can pick up their newest CD release.

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**Pensive's latest release "Something Under the Stars" breathes a breath of fresh air into the pop-punk scene.**

It surprises me that these guys are an unsigned band, especially with the popularity of "diet" punk.

Simply put, these guys are good at what they do. Their lyrics are a bit juvenile at times, but overall relatable and their hooks will almost certainly draw you in. I'd say, if you're ever in the blue and are browsing the internet check out Pensive

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# Lucky there's a family guy

## Stewie Griffin: The Untold Story is wonderfully offensive

BY ELIZABETH WILKINSON
*Entertainment Editor*

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**While not for the easily offended, Stewie Griffin: The Untold Story is full of non-stop laughs.**

"May contain content not suitable for younger audiences." These words often mean that whatever you are about to see will be crude, offensive and hilarious. The straight to DVD Family Guy movie, "Stewie Griffin: The Untold Story" is no different. Fans of the cartoon will be delighted by the antics of the Griffin family throughout this 88- minute movie. Critics will cringe, though, as the movie goes a little further to offend even more than the TV show.

One year-old Stewie Griffin feels he cannot possibly be his father Peter's son, because Peter is such a slothful, dumb man while Stewie is a diabolical genius of a child. While watching TV one day, Stewie sees a man who looks and talks just like him. So of course, Stewie and the faithful family dog, Brian, go to San Francisco to find the man that Stewie thinks "mated" with his mother in order to conceive him.

A predictable plot twist throws the Griffin family into the future, a staple of cartoon plots since the Flintstones met the Jetsons in 1987. Fans can see the matriarch and patriarch of the Griffin clan in a retirement home, older son Chris as a police officer with a rotten wife and daughter Meg as a man named Ron. While predictable, it is a well thought out, believable and hilarious future.

Stewie sees himself as Stew, a 35 year old virgin working in an electronics store, much like the plot of the movie "The 40 Year Old Virgin." Stews' apartment is a shambles and he definitely did not dominate the world as he planned when he was a baby. His mother is also still alive, much to his dismay. Stewie decides to change his future, as well as his family's when he sees where the current road leads.

The characters drop the "F-bomb" and other offensive words almost as often as they drop pop culture references. People who are offended by the TV show will definitely be offended by the movie. Those who are part of the devoted fan following will love this movie. One of the best things about this movie is that it is not just a longer episode, it feels like an actual movie.

The only downside is the material at the beginning and end. The movie starts with the Griffin family going to their movie premiere. The end shows the after-party, at the local bar. While it would be great bonus material, the party scenes do not fit in with the rest of an otherwise stellar movie.

# Stryper: Not your average Christian band

BY JEFF WAUGAMAN
*Staff Writer*

Not being a particular fan of the band Stryper or the genre of Christian rock, I was a little hesitant to listen to the new album by Stryper called "Reborn". After giving it a listen, I was converted into a fan. With a positive message and strong musicianship, it is hard not to enjoy the music.

When I first listened, I put the fact that they are a Christian rock band out of my mind. I wanted to evaluate Stryper based on their music, not their genre or their religious beliefs that some fans of rock may have a difficult time getting past.

Some of the stronger songs on the album are the title track "Reborn" and "10,000 years." I was shocked at the use of "Amazing Grace" in this song but I enjoyed it .They used it in the song in an original way. "Reborn" is a solid rock track with great vocals by Michael Sweet. This song accentuates what a good singer he is. Oz Fox (guitar), Tracy Ferrie (Bass) and Robert Sweet (Drums) flabbergasted me with how well they perform on each song, bringing back what is needed in rock today.

The song "If I Die" got me singing along even though it was the first time I had heard the song. The song "Passion," a ballad, starts slow like a traditional power ballad but mixed throughout the song, is more of a rock sound. The rock sound was actually what I liked best about the song.

Stryper stands for Salvation through Redemption Yielding Peace, Encouragement and Righteousness. They have paid their dues in the club scene in Los Angeles, and in 1984 they signed with Enigma records. Isaiah 53:5, which can be seen under their logo, is a reference to the bible verse that says "by his stripes we are healed."

The band is best known for its song "Honestly." After 15 years, Stryper has reunited for their first full length album and a tour.

"Reborn" surprised me and is quickly becoming one of my favorite albums of this year.

Stryper is scheduled to play the House of Blues on October 9. For more information on Stryper, go to www.stryper.com.

## The Chronicle Top 10

### *1990's songs*

10. "I'm Too Sexy" Right Said Fred
9. "Jeremy" Pearl Jam
8. "All My Life" KC & Jojo
7. "If I Had a Million Dollars" Barenaked Ladies
6. "Hey Jealousy" Gin Blossoms
5. "Motown Philly" Boyz II Men
4. "1979" The Smashing Pumpkins
3. "Wannabe" Spice Girls
2. "Smells Like Teen Spirit" Nirvana
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# The spotlight's on...

BY CASSIDY MAZZONI
*Cub Reporter*

*"The spotlight's on..." is a new feature in The Chronicle to showcase the different clubs and organizations on campus. Students have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities, events and community service projects while meeting new people who share their common interests or goals. Each issue will highlight one organization and give a more in-depth look as to what they do, who is involved as well as other information, so students can decide which organization they'd like to be a part of.*

The Fine Arts Student Association defines itself as an organization that promotes a creative and open environment for PUC's aspiring artists and alumni to create works of art for campus and public display.

"The FASA is committed to guiding and helping aspiring artists achieve their artistic goals, providing community service by creating and performing art, and promoting a personal unbiased friendship with other student organizations, faculty, FASA officers and members, as well as creating a fun, artistic and well-rounded environment for all," said Israel Mendoza, president of the FASA.

Anyone with artistic sense or style who does not know where to focus that creative energy might consider the FASA as an option to express themselves.

Beginning on December 5, the FASA will present its first Fine Arts Exhibit.

"All FASA members who registered and participated in our current drawing and painting workshops will have a chance to display their artwork during a beautiful evening reception," said Mendoza.

When asked why students may want to join the FASA, Mendoza said, "With the FASA, students are granted an opportunity to be known not only within visual art and music circles, but also around campus and with the public in general."

The FASA is currently sponsoring drawing and painting workshops. These workshops are for students of all levels of artistic expertise and all are welcome. Mendoza hopes that the participants in these classes will learn something artistic and new to them

Students interested in joining the FASA can contact:

http://life.calumet.purdue.edu/fasa/joinus.htm

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**Feeling creative? The FASA offers an outlet for students to express themselves.**

## Peregrines Holla Back...

*Guys wearing pink shirts and popped collars. Any thoughts?*

"They're secure with themselves."

*Vince "Panda" Pacaña, sophomore, nursing*

"I hate popped collars. I think it's extremely uncool."

*Diana Huges, junior, communications*

"Hey, it's stylish."

*Dave Finchum, junior, mechanical engineering technology*

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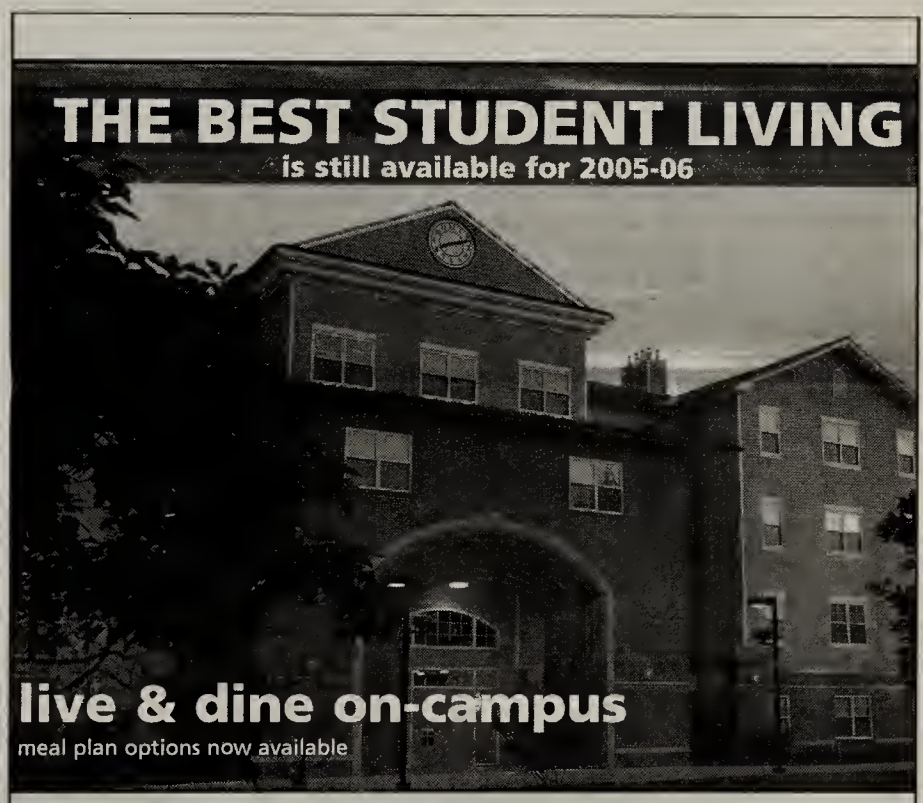

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# Protest

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**The social justice club and friends take time out of their protest to pose for a picture in Washington, D.C.**

night.

Mandy Lucious, a student government senator for liberal arts and social sciences, as well as a member of the SJC, said, "I went to the march to take a stand as a citizen and protest the war."

Lucious said that she marched with people like Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson and heard speakers talk about the injustice that the US citizens are living through. She felt the experience was an empowering one, one that she would never forget.

# Alumni

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ed each school into a different room and allowed students some one-on-one time with professionals and faculty from their departments. Alumni were eager to share their success stories and seemed happy to reminisce with former friends and faculty.

For those who could not attend this year's Alumni Day, Leticia Toma, director of alumni relations, wanted to share with students a message that seemed to be consistent.

"Throughout the evening, the alumni honorees shared advice that transcended academic disciplines and that is to succeed you need to have passion for what you do, develop a plan and set goals, not be afraid to take risks and create change, and seek lifelong learning," said Toma.

Kristin Niemiec, a 1999 graduate with a degree in industrial management with an accounting option and winner of the Alumni Commitment to Excellence Award in the school of management, agreed. Niemiec said that the most important advice she could give students is to constantly keep learning, even after graduation, to better themselves for the future.

Toma was thankful for everyone who contributed to the success of the evening, which about 275 people attended. The PAAC hopes to make this an annual event and students are encouraged to share in the interesting and inspiring stories of those who have come before them.

# NWIWP

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meeting will consider the organization for future professional development needs.

"The event was very successful. There were a number of people there who had never come to a NWIWP event before," said Boiarsky. "I was please we could introduce them to the project and its goals and services."

The NWIWP is a collaborative program between PUC and 26 school systems in the Northwest Indiana region. The organization's goal is to help teachers improve students' writing ability, NWIWP Director Carolyn Boiarsky said. It is one of more than 180 sites of the NWP, headquartered at the University of California, Berkley.

The NWIWP conducts a six credit hour graduate-level course each summer known as the Summer Institute, Boiarsky said. Professional development programs are offered by the NWIWP year-round.

"The project hopes to expand its services, and to initiate such programs as a writing camp for students," said Boiarsky.

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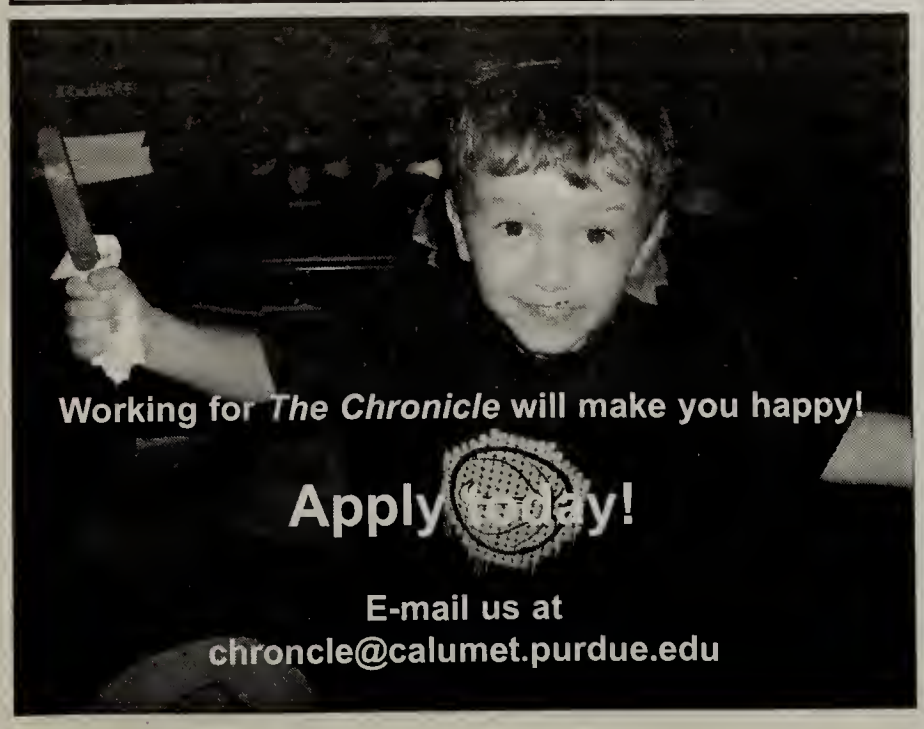


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# What the Funk... P. Funk signing off

BY DAVID P. FUNK
*Sports Editor*

I want to thank all of you who have encouraged me and thanked me for my work. I cannot say enough to explain what it has meant to me. The email responses from my column last week were particularly special. Thank you. I really appreciate all of it.

However, I must bid you all a bittersweet farewell, sports fans. As of the release and distribution of this issue, I will no longer be sports editor for *The Chronicle*.

Don't fret, however. I'm not leaving all together; I'll just be moving over to news (that's right, a sports fan can be qualified to work in news, as well).

I love sports. I love Chicago sports. And I love covering PUC intramurals and talking sports, directly or indirectly, with all of you. So, it is with a bit of regret that I relinquish my position.

But I am turning the section over to the very capable hands of Calvin Davis. I'm sure you've all read his work, lately. He's already been making the Big Ten, NFL picks and writing two or more articles a week. He's been my go-to reporter, so it will be a smooth transition. He is a journalism enthusiast and will probably do a better job than I ever did.

Some major changes have been taking place at this newspaper, as you may have noticed from the merry-go-round that has been the staff box on page two since July. We think we finally have things figured out, though. And we're happy.

I hope I have given you all that you've wanted with the sports section during my time as editor. I hope you'll all read news, too. Hopefully, you already were but if you didn't please follow me to my new section.

I'm still always open to suggestions, comments and criticism from readers. So, feel free to email me at chronicle_news_editor@yahoo.com.

And enjoy Calvin. He's certainly worthy of the position and his column will be insightful and thought-provoking, undoubtedly.

Read the news section. Even if not in our paper, please read and pay attention to the news and current events. It's imperative that the public, no matter what their interests may be, stays informed and educated, so that we can make important decisions at the polls, in business and in our everyday lives.

I'd like to leave you with an anonymous quote I once read:

"Half of the American public has never read a newspaper. Half have never voted for president. Hopefully, it's the same half."

# USC to visit Notre Dame

BY CHRIS ZACNY
*Staff Writer*

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**Reggie Bush is just one of USC's many offensive weapons.**

Getting healthy, mental reps and giving the reserves some extra opportunities are the things Notre Dame Coach Charlie Weis hoped to achieve in the bye week leading up to the game against the University of Southern California Trojans. The defending national champions have steam-rolled their way through this season and it seems as if only an NFL team can beat them.

Notre Dame comes off a very impressive win against in state rival Purdue, blasting the Boilermakers 49-28. The Irish have moved up in the rankings to number 13 in the country and will try to hand the Trojans their first loss this season. Notre Dame is a very dangerous team with athletes, a coach and motivation on their side.

The Irish will have wide receiver Rhema McKnight healthy for the USC game as well as offensive tackle Bob Morton. Even though the play of wide out Jeff Smaradzija has been fantastic, McKnight should take more pressure off the running game. Smaradzija has a team high of 28 catches for 499 yards and eight touchdowns. Brady Quinn has completed 124 out of 190 passes with 13 touchdowns and three interceptions. If these two can continue to put up these kinds of numbers, the Irish may have a chance on Saturday.

USC has two outstanding players in quarterback Matt Leinart and runningback Reggie Bush. The two are both Heisman candidates and make the Trojans the most dangerous offense in the country.

The defense isn't bad either; having forced five interceptions against Arizona State and proving they have a knack of flying to the football. Leinart was injured in the Arizona State game and received seven stitches on his jaw.

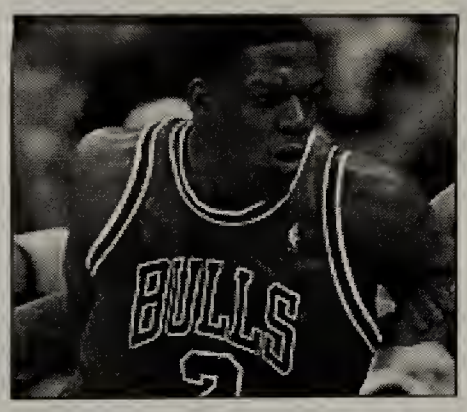
Notre Dame does have some motivation on their side, with three straight years of losing to USC by 31 points the Irish will look to return the favor.

Weis discussed his views to Fox Sports on having a bye Saturday.

"As far as game planning, I like it because I have already watched a bunch of Southern Cal tape and this is two weeks before we play them,"Weis said. "I am going to have to watch a whole bunch more, but the good thing is, before we get through the middle of this week I will have watched everything I have needed to watch."

# Bull Ship Curry To Knicks

BY BRANDON THOMAS
*Staff Writer*



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**Curry may have been the Bulls'only inside scoring threat.**

The Bulls have been a team of misfortune since the end of their dynasty in the '90s. Since their long run as world champions, they have failed to put together a team that has seen the championship series. Some Chicagoans may remember the 2002 draft when the Bulls selected Tyson Chandler and Eddy Curry (Curry being the youngest player in Bull's history), and began a rebuilding project, in which they hoped to bring Chicago back to the glory days.

It wasn't until the end of the 2004-2005 season that the young team seemed to gel. They showed their inexperience by losing to the Washington Wizards in the first round of the playoffs.

The biggest factor in the Bulls' loss may have been the loss of their center Eddy Curry, who holds career averages of 11.8 ppg , 4.9 rpg and 23.1 mpg. He also shot .529 from the floor and .671 from the free throw line. Curry was a major factor in the Bulls valiant effort during the regular season although he only appeared in 63 games.

Consequently, his injury has proved to cease more than just his season with Chicago. The Bulls offered Curry a long-term contract, pending the results of a genetic test in regards to his injury. Curry declined the genetic test, and additionally declined his opportunity to play for the Bulls this season. General Manager John Paxson said on aol.nba.com, "Our intention through that whole project was to show him that we did care about him and that we were concerned about his well-being".

The Bulls have recently forfeited their care of Curry, sending him and forward Antonio Davis to the New York Knicks. Chicago in turn received Tim Thomas, Michael Sweetney, Jermaine Jackson, and draft picks.

Although Curry had performed very well in his stint as a Bull, Chicago feels that they made the necessary decision, and are happy with what they received in return. Chicago is especially excited about their new young power forward Michael Sweetney. Sweetney, who is 6'8 and weighs 275 pounds, scored 8.4 PPG during the '04-'05 season.

Chicago hopes that this trade will complete the chemistry of their team, and allow them to pick up their dynasty where they left it in the late '90s.

# Set Sail on Lake Michigan with the PUC Sailing Club

BY WILLIAM LINGVAY
*Staff Writer*

On Sunday October 2, Professor Geoff Barrow took his sailing class out on the waters of Lake Michigan. The class avoided the downfalls of rain while on the lake but it hit them once they got in.

"In case of rain, we send the crew down below the deck," said Barrow. "Two crewmembers are left above to steer to boat."

The classes started on September 11 and the last session was on October 9. The lessons take place at Pastrick Marina, in East Chicago. Helping out Barrow is Chris Kosovich, a graduate student who is working on his master's degree in communication.

"[The idea behind these classes] is to get people acquainted with sailing," said Kosovich.

The classes are offered in the summer as well. This past August, the sailing club went to the South Manitou Islands in Michigan for about eight days. It took them about 48 hours to get there with the trip lasting about two weeks. They are planning on going back again this coming summer.

Some things that have been taught include: safety, navigation and how to steer and trim sail, which means set course according to wind conditions. Trimming sail comes in handy when a storm comes in.

For the most recent lesson, the crew set sail onto the lake to practice tacking. It was first done in teams, and then they finished by doing it individually.

"It's great fun," one of the participants was overheard saying. "We get to take turns turning the boat around."

After they finished tacking, the club sailed east to avoid the thunderstorms. The club finished with the events for the day, and missed the storms on the lake but not the storms on land however.

Kosovich has been sailing ever since he joined the program earlier this year. Barrow has been for quite some time now. Barrow is also a Spanish professor here at PUC, and a sailing instructor for East Chicago High School's Sailing Program, as previously reported in *The Chronicle*.

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# Four on Four Floor Hockey at PUC

BY CALVIN DAVIS
Staff Writer

The NHL may have taken a year off, but intramural hockey here at PUC never left.

"It gets real competitive," says Adam Taylor, a fitness management major.

Taylor has been playing in the four on four hockey league since it started three years ago. At that time there were only three teams in the league, which made the season and the playoffs a bit odd.

"It's our first year having four teams so it should be a lot of fun," said Taylor. During the first few seasons there were only three teams in the league with a double elimination tournament.

This past week, players couldn't use the gym due to a basketball tournament that was going on inside. But that didn't deter any of these players from doing what they came to do. They simply took all their equipment outside to the Purdue Village parking lot and went about their business. Floor hockey does not involve skate or ice. The game itself is similar to the professional game, but there are some minor changes.

Among the main differences between floor hockey and ice is the type of puck that is used. They don't use a puck but use a soft squeezable ball.

As with all intramural sports, the skill level among the players. "One team is full of ex-hockey players," said Adam Taylor.

The sport is well liked among the players and Intramural Coordinator Matt Dudzick, who plays when he gets a chance.

"I try to play all the sports at least once just to see how they are," Dudzick said.

All of the players seemed to be extremely enthusiastic about being out there, although they had to play outside. Everyone remembers the rivalries between each other from the previous year. And everyone's eye is on the prize. The big trophy in the fitness

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**The PUC floor hockey league teams will compete for the Cohen Cup.**

center by the locker rooms is the ultimate prize they're playing for. After the championship is won, each member of the winning team gets to take the trophy home for one week. But if Adam Taylor doesn't win, it will not be the end of the world for him. This is just one of the events he participates in. Taylor is also a member of the band "Kings of the Short Bus" which will be participating in the Battle of the Bands here on campus.

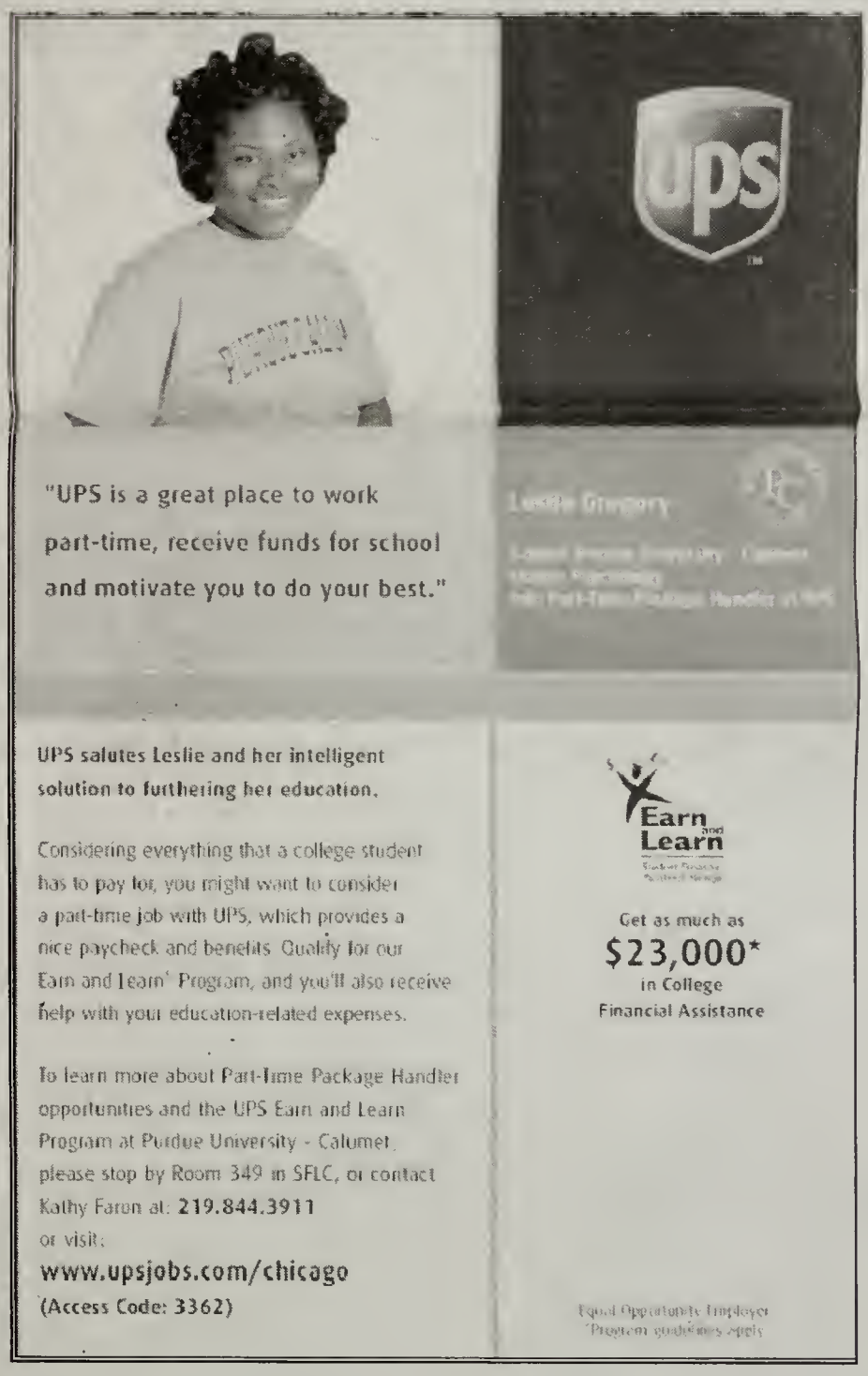
Last Tuesday was just a day of open playing. The real deal will begin next week so stay tuned for an update.

## Calvin Davis' NFL Picks

| October 16 | Time | TV | Pick |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jacksonville at Pittsburgh | Noon | CBS | Steelers by 5 |
| Miami at Tampa Bay | Noon | CBS | Bucs by 3 |
| Cleveland at Baltimore | Noon | CBS | Ravens by 7 |
| Atlanta at New Orleans | Noon | FOX | Falcons by 7 |
| Minnesota at Chicago | Noon | FOX | Bears by 3 |
| NY Giants at Dallas | Noon | FOX | Giants by 7 |
| Carolina at Detroit | Noon | FOX | Panthers by 9 |
| Cincinnati at Tennessee | Noon | CBS | Bengals by 7 |
| Washington at Kansas City | Noon | FOX | Redskins by 3 |
| New England at Denver | 3:15 | CBS | Patriots by 3 |
| NY Jets at Buffalo | 3:15 | CBS | Jets by 6 |
| San Diego at Oakland | 3:15 | CBS | Chargers by 10 |
| Houston at Seattle | 7:30 | ESPN | Seahawks by 3 |
| **October 10** | **Time** | **TV** | **Pick** |
| St. Louis at Indianapolis | 8:00 | ABC | Colts by 14 |

## Calvin Davis' Big Ten plus Notre Dame Picks

| October 15 | Time | TV | Pick |
|---|---|---|---|
| Michigan State at Ohio State | 11:00 AM | ABC | Buckeyes by 10 |
| Wisconsin at Minnesota | 11:00 AM | N/A | Gophers by 3 |
| Indiana at Iowa | 11:00 AM | N/A | Hawkeys by 10 |
| Northwestern at Purdue | 2:30 PM | ABC | Boilermakers by 10 |
| Penn State at Michigan | 2:30 PM | ABC | Wolverines by 7 |
| USC at Notre Dame | 2:30 PM | NBC | Trojans by 10 |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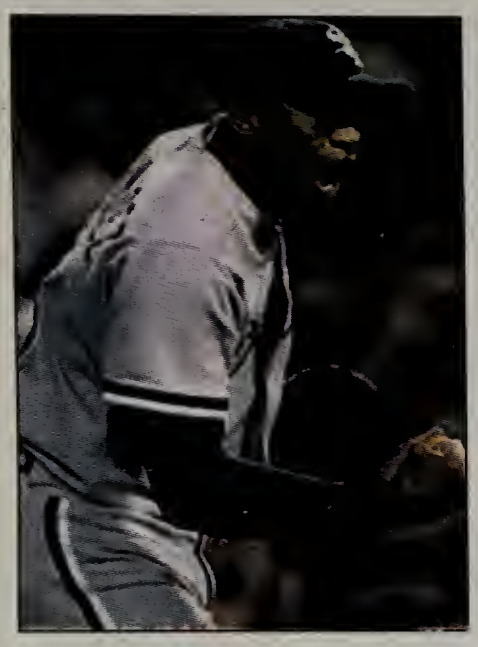
# White Sox win ALDS



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**The White Sox Orlando Hernandez came up big in Game 3 of the ALCS.**

BY CALVIN DAVIS
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There will be no Red Sox, Yankees rematch this October. The White Sox made sure of that by sweeping Boston 3-0 in the American League Division Series. This long awaited series between red and white began last Tuesday as Boston, the American League wild card winner, came into Chicago with hopes being the first team to win back to back World Series since the New York Yankees in 1998 and 1999. All season long the Red Sox have been touted as the team with the best offense in baseball. The middle of their lineup featured two MVP candidates in Manny Ramirez and David Ortiz. Not to mention other solid hitters like Johnny Damon and Edgar Renteria. But it was the White Sox's bats who stepped up big in game one of this year's ALDS. The White Sox put up five runs in the first inning, three of which came off of a three-run homer by A.J Pierzynsky. That three run shot set the tone for the rest of the team as the White Sox went on hit five home runs and win the game 14-2. Eight of those runs were hit against former Cubs pitcher Matt Clement.

No one expected such an offensive onslaught from the White Sox in Game 2 with playoff-tested pitcher David Wells on the mound for the Red Sox. That was an accurate assumption. The Red Sox got off to a strong start, jumping to a 4-0 early lead. With a four run cushion it seemed that Wells would close the door and the Red Sox would go back to Boston with the series tied 1-1. But that all changed in the fifth inning. Carl Everett started the rally with a lead-off single and was brought home by an Aaron Rowand double. Rowand advanced to third off of a single by Joe Crede. Juan Uribe made to first base after a crushing error by Red Sox Shortstop Tony Graffino. That set up a three run home run by Tadahito Iguchi that put the White Sox up 5-4..

But with a team with bats as heavy as the Red Sox, a one run lead with three innings to go is never safe. White Sox starter Mark Buehrle pitched a fairly decent game, allowing four runs off of eight hits and lasting all the way until the eight inning. At that point, White Sox manager brought in closer Bobby Jenks. This was Jenks' first playoff appearance and the pressure was certainly high. He withstood the pressure though, holding on to a one run lead and getting the save. That win gave the White Sox a 2-0 lead with the series going back to Boston. Game 3 was a welcome back party for White Sox reliever Orlando Hernandez. Damaso Marte came in the game to relieve starter Freddy Garcia and got into a major jam.

He loaded the bases with no outs giving Ozzie Guillen no choice but to bring in the veteran Hernandez to relieve him. Hernandez came in and displayed one of the better performances in playoff history. He came in with the bases loaded and retired three batters in a row, not allowing a single run. At one point he retired eight straight batters. Bobby Jenks came in to close in the bottom of the ninth. Three came up. Three went down. The game and the series was over.

This was the White Sox first playoff series victory since 1959 and now they wait for the winner of the Yankees vs Angels series.

# NBA looks to be exciting in '05 - '06

BY BILL OCIEPKA
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The 2005-2006 NBA season is setting up to be one of the most exciting seasons in recent memory. The season begins November 1 when the defending champion Spurs open up at home with the Denver Nuggets.

The Eastern Conference has seen changes in rosters throughout. The Atlanta Hawks are excited about rookie Marvin Williams and second year players Josh Smith and Josh Childress. The Boston Celtics are led by All-Star Paul Pierce and are looking for impact from rookie Gerald Green.

The Chicago Bulls are looking for a repeat performance from last year. The Bulls are led by Kirk Hinrich and are looking for a break-out year from Tyson Chandler. Second year players Ben Gordon and Luol Deng are set to improve on their numbers from last year. Andres Nocioni and Chris Duhon will help the Bulls on the defensive end.

The Cleveland Cavaliers have done more to improve their team from a year ago. The Cavs added Larry Hughes, Damon Jones and Donyell Marshall to the team. This will put other scorers around potential MVP LeBron James.

The defending Eastern Conference champion Detroit Pistons return all five starters from last year's team. Chauncey Billups, Rasheed Wallace, Ben Wallace, Richard Hamilton and Tayshaun Prince all return to take the team back where it wants to be. The Indiana Pacers will benefit from the return of Ron Artest, and have Jermaine O'Neal and Stephen Jackson for a full season after all three players served suspensions from the brawl in Detroit from last season.

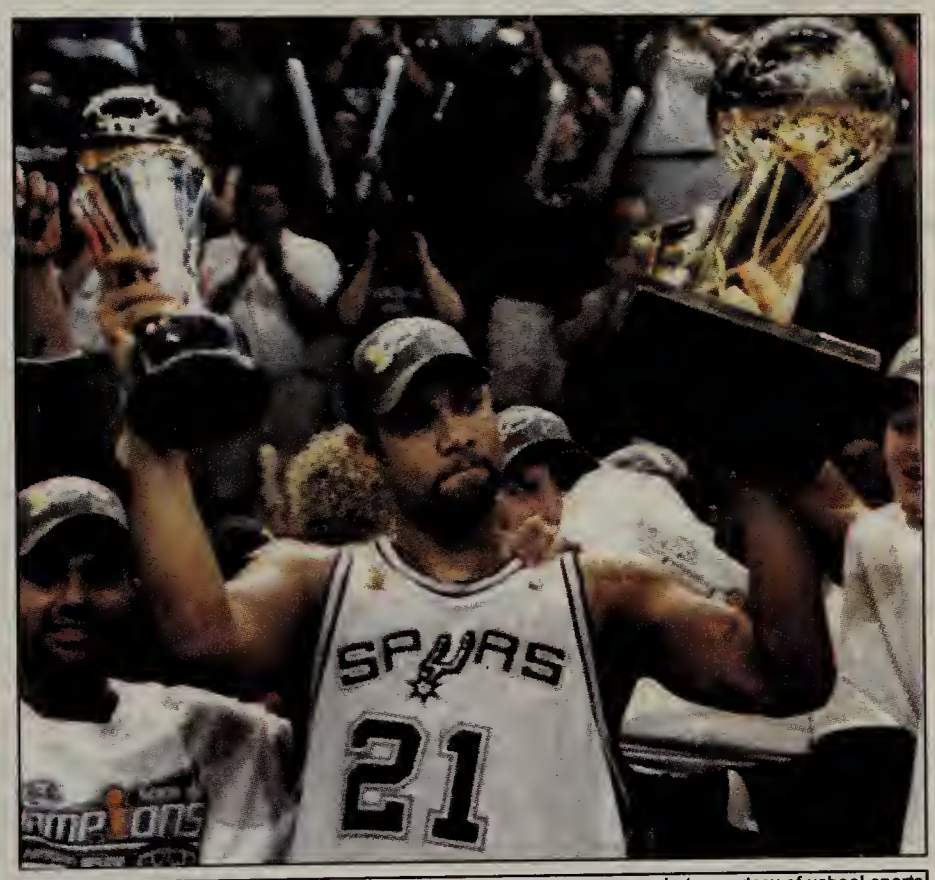
The Miami Heat will have a solid starting five led by Dwyane Wade and Shaquille O'Neal. The Heat added Antoine Walker, Jason Williams and rookie Wayne Simien this offseason. The Milwaukee Bucks will feature number one pick in the draft, Andrew Bogut. Bogut will have Michael Redd to support him throughout the season. The New Jersey Nets will feature Vince Carter, Jason Kidd and Richard Jefferson. Rookie Chris Paul will attempt to lead the New Orleans/Oklahoma City Hornets. Stephon Marbury and Quentin Richardson will try to lead the Knicks back to the playoffs.

The Orlando Magic will be led by Steve Francis and Dwight Howard. The 76ers will once again be led by Allen Iverson and Chris Webber, and will try to improve on their record from a year ago. Jalen Rose will attempt to lead the Toronto Raptors into the season. The Wizards will be led by Gilbert Arenas and Antawn Jamison with newly acquired Caron Butler.

The Western Conference is again stacked with talent. The Charlotte Bobcats will be led by Emeka Okafor and rookies Sean May and Raymond Felton. Dirk Nowitzki, Jason Terry and Jerry Stackhouse will lead the Mavs. The Nuggets will feature the three-some of Carmelo Anthony, Andre Miller and Kenyon Martin. Baron Davis and Jason Richardson will look to bring the Warriors into the playoffs. The Houston Rockets will feature Tracy McGrady and the Rockets will be brought into the playoffs by Yao Ming and will look to advance deep into the playoffs.

Sam Cassell and Elton Brand will look to steal the spotlight from the Lakers and attempt to gain some fans in Los Angeles with the Clippers. With the return of Phil Jackson, the Lakers will look to regain their old form with Kobe Bryant and Lamar Odom. The Memphis Grizzlies will look for a great season from Pau Gasol and Shane Battier to carry the team. Kevin Garnett will look to help the Timberwolves and make them a contender this season.

The Phoenix Suns look like the best team in the West with Steve Nash and Amare Stoudamire leading the team. Zach Randolph will try to take the Blazers to the playoffs. The Sacramento Kings will be led by Mike Bibby and Bonzi Wells along with Peja Stojakovic.

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**The San Antonio Spurs' Tim Duncan holds both the Finals and the Finals MVP tropies. The Spurs look poised to win their third title in four years.**

Michael Finley and Tim Duncan will lead the Spurs back to the Western Conference Finals along with Manu Ginobili. Ray Allen and Rashard Lewis will look to take the Sonics back to the playoffs. The Utah Jazz is led by Andrei Kirilenko and Carlos Boozer.

The NBA schedule will feature two big games on Christmas Day including the Lakers visiting the Heat and the Spurs visiting the Pistons.

The Bulls open their season against the Charlotte Bobcats at home on November 2.

The Pacers open their season in Orlando on November 2.

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